

MINUTES
EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Jeremy Gragert, Charles Johnson, Roderick Jones, Larry Mboga, Joshua Miller, Terry Weld and Andrew Werthmann.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

City Clerk Carrie Riepl administered the Oath of Office to Council Members Beaton, Johnson, Jones, Mboga and Miller.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Council President Weld called for nominations for Council Vice President. Council Members Anderson, Berge and Werthmann had previously expressed interest in serving as Vice President. Council Members Anderson and Werthmann withdrew from consideration. No other nominations being heard, Council President Weld declared nominations closed. Council Member Berge was elected Vice President by unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

There are three positions on the Advisory Committee on Appointments. According to City Code, the Council President serves on the committee by virtue of the office. Council Members Anderson, Berge and Werthmann had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Berge withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Members Anderson and Werthmann will serve on the Committee, along with Council President Weld.

There are two positions and one alternate position on the Board of Review. Council Member Christopherson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Miller expressed interest in serving on the committee. Council Member Anderson expressed interest in serving as the alternate on the Committee. By unanimous consent, Council Members Christopherson and Miller will serve on the Committee and Council Member Anderson will serve as the alternate on the Committee.

There is one position on the Chippewa-St. Croix Rail Commission. Council Members Gragert and Johnson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Gragert will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board. Council Member Christopherson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. By unanimous consent, Council Member Christopherson will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the City / County Board of Health. Council Members Berge and Johnson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Berge will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Housing Authority Board. Council Members Jones and Werthmann had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Werthmann withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Jones will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Housing Opportunities Commission. Council Members Johnson and Werthmann had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. Council Member Johnson reconsidered and indicated interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Werthmann withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Johnson will serve on the Committee.

There are three positions on the Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives. The Council President serves on the Committee by virtue of the office. Council Members Berge, Beaton and Christopherson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Beaton withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Members Berge and Christopherson will serve on the Committee, along with Council President Weld.

There is one position on the Landmarks Commission. Council Members Gragert and Johnson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Gragert will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Library Board. Council Members Johnson, Jones and Miller had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. Council Member Jones received 8 votes and will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Loan Administration Board (formerly the Revolving Loan Fund Committee). Council Member Mboga had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. By unanimous consent, Council Member Mboga will serve on the Committee.

There are two positions on the Plan Commission. According to City Ordinance, Council Members appointed to the Plan Commission are to be elected by a two-thirds vote, meaning eight affirmative votes of the Common Council. Council Member Christopherson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson expressed interest in serving on the committee. By unanimous consent, Council Members Christopherson and Johnson will serve on the Committee.

There are two positions on the Putnam Parks Commission. Council Member Miller had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Beaton expressed interest in serving on the Committee. By unanimous consent, Council Members Beaton and Miller will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Redevelopment Authority. Council Members appointed to the Redevelopment Authority are to be elected by a four-fifths vote, meaning nine affirmative votes of the Common Council. Council Member Berge had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. By unanimous consent, Council Member Berge will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Transit Commission. Council Members Gragert and Johnson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Gragert will serve on the Committee.

There is one position on the Utility Appeals Board. Council Members Miller and Werthmann had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Werthmann withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Member Miller will serve on the Committee.

There are two positions on the Visit Eau Claire Board. Council Members Beaton and Johnson had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Werthmann nominated Council Member Mboga to serve on the Committee and Council Member Mboga accepted the nomination. Council Member Johnson withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Members Beaton and Mboga will serve on the Committee.

There are two positions on the Visit Eau Claire Tourism and Cultural Arts Grant Program Committee. Council Members Jones, Mboga and Miller had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Jones withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Members Mboga and Miller will serve on the Committee.

There are two positions on the Waterways and Parks Commission. Council Members Beaton, Johnson, Jones and Mboga had previously expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Members Johnson and Jones withdrew from consideration. Council Member Gragert nominated Council Member Miller to serve on the Committee and Council Member Miller declined the nomination. Council Member Gragert nominated Council Member Werthmann to serve on the Committee and Council Member Werthmann declined the nomination. Council Member Gragert nominated Council Member Anderson to serve on the Committee and Council Member Anderson accepted the nomination. Council Member Mboga withdrew from consideration. By unanimous consent, Council Members Anderson and Beaton will serve on the Committee.

SEATING ARRANGEMENT

A drawing was held for the Council Chamber seating arrangement.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: April 19, 2022

Time: 4:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld, President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl, City Clerk

2022-2023 BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Council Vice President	Council Member Berge
Advisory Committee on Appointments	Council Members Anderson, Weld & Werthmann
Board of Review	Council Members Christopherson & Miller Alternate: Council Member Anderson
Chippewa-St. Croix Rail Commission	Council Member Gragert
Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board	Council Member Christopherson
City / County Board of Health	Council Member Berge
Housing Authority Board	Council Member Jones
Housing Opportunities Commission	Council Member Johnson
Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives	Council Members Berge, Christopherson & Weld
Landmarks Commission	Council Member Gragert
Library Board	Council Member Jones
Loan Administration Board (Formerly Revolving Loan Fund Committee)	Council Member Mboga
Plan Commission	Council Members Christopherson & Johnson
Putnam Parks Commission	Council Members Beaton & Miller
Redevelopment Authority Board	Council Member Berge
Transit Commission	Council Member Gragert
Utility Appeals Board	Council Member Miller
Visit Eau Claire Board	Council Members Beaton & Mboga
Visit Eau Claire Tourism & Cultural Arts Grant Program Committee	Council Members Mboga & Miller
Waterways and Parks Commission	Council Members Anderson & Beaton